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## Looking For Fun, Educational Stop? Try Touring The Fire Museum

Persons interested in taking a peek back in time inside a former Milwaukee firehouse can head to the city's south side this weekend.

Residents are invited to tour the Milwaukee Fire Museum and Education Center, 1615 W. Oklahoma Ave., on Sunday, March 6 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Ald. Terry Witkowski, former City of Milwaukee safety director who represents the area where the fire museum is located, will greet visitors and talk to residents about their concerns. The facility includes antique fire apparatus and equipment on display, and it is also used for fire safety education.

"As a first grader, I remember getting a tour of this firehouse when it was fully operational," said Ald. Witkowski. "That was in the early 1950s when I attended St. Gerard's School located across the street from the firehouse. As far as I'm concerned, it is still a wonderful facility and offers visitors a unique look at life in the firehouse during the 1900s. It is a great place to show your kids and grandkids."

The facility is open just once each month – on the first Sunday of the month – from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.